

PROCUREMENT DIVISION WEEKLY REPORT FOR  
PERIOD ENDING 20 SEPTEMBER 1983

1. Progress Report of Tasks Assigned by the DCI/DDCI:

No tasks assigned during this reporting period.

2. Items or Events of Major Interest that have Occurred During the Preceding Week:

a. LIGHT TABLE RFP: Production & Services Contracts Branch (P&SCB) has two Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for light tables totaling approximately two million dollars. On 7 and 8 September, a bidders conference was held with both COTRs and all bidders to review the technical specifications and requirements of the users. The results of the bidders conference was to come up with one table with better specifications meeting all requirements of both users and remove various inconsistencies. The resulting new specification and acceptance test procedure have resulted in a competition that is more fair to all bidders and should result in a lower price due to the combination of the two tables requiring only one engineering effort. Proposals are due 19 September 1983 and the contract is expected to be awarded by 30 September 1983. [REDACTED]

b. MERCURY DEVELOPMENT, REVISED ESTIMATED TO COMPLETE: In response to direction provided by the Government in the form of a draft/revised Statement of Work (SOW), [REDACTED] is currently pursuing the preparation of a proposal for the restructuring of the MERCURY System Development Effort on the basis of an evolutionary three phased implementation of MERCURY System Operating Capabilities (SOC). As a result of a 14 September 1983 meeting between Government and [REDACTED] representatives, it was determined that several critical technical issues required resolution before a definitive Cost Proposal (Revised Estimated to Complete) could be formalized by [REDACTED]. Specifically, [REDACTED] requires Government direction with respect to developing its proposal from the standpoint of either concurrently or sequentially implementing and testing the narrative and data capabilities of the Basic Packet Switch Backbone Network (SOC-1). Consequently, it was

agreed that the Government would take immediate action to resolve the issue in question and provide the direction needed in time to facilitate the submission of a Technical Proposal by mid-October 1983. The associated Cost Proposal will be submitted approximately three weeks later than the originally planned 21 October 1983 submittal date. (U)

c. MERCURY DEVELOPMENT, REVISION-2 OF STATEMENT OF WORK:  
Based on an estimated six month program schedule differential, the time required to either concurrently or sequentially implement and test the narrative and data capabilities of the Basic Packet Switch Backbone Network, [redacted] was directed to develop the requested MERCURY Program Revised Estimate to Complete (Cost Proposal) from the standpoint of sequentially implementing and testing the reference capabilities. As a result of the above direction, the Government has also taken action to modify the current draft/revised Statement of Work (SOW) to reflect an evolutionary five phased implementation of MERCURY System Operational Capabilities (SOC), in lieu of the three phases originally envisioned. Discussions relative to the impact of this direction, on current [redacted] proposals efforts and project deliverables, have been initiated and should be completed in time to allow the Government to issue a formal SOW by the end of September 1983. (U)